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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 23, 2005

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This is in response to the Office Action, mailed November 23, 2005. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is being filed contemporaneously herewith.

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